



SYNOPSIS

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HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 14, 2014

HB 1432 Delegate A. Washington

TEACHING FELLOWS FOR MARYLAND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Renaming the Maryland Teacher Scholarship to be the Teaching Fellows for Maryland scholarship and altering specified elements of the scholarship program; altering the eligibility criteria and service obligation associated with the scholarship; altering the amount of the award for a scholarship to be 100% of the annual tuition, mandatory fees, and room and board at specified institutions; requiring institutions that enroll at least 15 scholarship recipients to develop and implement a specified honors program; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

ED, §§ 18-2201 through 18-2207 and 18-2210 - amended, §§ 18-2208 and 18-2209 - added, and § 18-2209 - repealed

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

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HB 1433 Delegate Swain**TASK FORCE TO STUDY SERVICES AND RESOURCES PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

Establishing the Task Force to Study Services and Resources Provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding how to improve services and resources provided to veterans residing in the State; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2014; and terminating the Act at the end of June 30, 2015.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1434 Delegate Hammen**COMMUNITY SERVICES – PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT**

Repealing the Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish and hire an independent contractor to verify a specified cost structure related to inflationary cost adjustments for community services providers; requiring the Department to conduct a specified study and assess specified cost structures in a specified manner; requiring a specified independent contractor to collect and analyze specified data and conduct a specified assessment; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

HG, §§ 13-801 through 13-810 - repealed and § 16-201.2 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1435 Delegate Arora**COMMERCIAL LAW – FINANCING STATEMENTS – CORRECTION OF RECORDS**

Authorizing a specified individual who believes that a record indexed in a filing office relating to a financing statement is false or inaccurate to file a specified information statement; authorizing a specified individual to petition a specified circuit court to show cause why a specified record should not be declared invalid; requiring a specified petition to contain specified information; authorizing a show cause order to be granted ex parte; establishing requirements for an order to show cause; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

CL, § 9-518 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1436 Calvert County Delegation**CALVERT COUNTY – SALARIES OF COUNTY OFFICIALS AND COUNTY COMMISSIONER RETIREMENT PLAN PARTICIPATION**

Authorizing a County Commissioner of Calvert County to participate in the Calvert County Employees Retirement Savings Plan; altering the salaries of the Sheriff of Calvert County, Orphans' Court Judges for Calvert County, and Calvert County Treasurer; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

PLL of Calvert Co, Art. 5, § 2-101, CJ, § 2-309(f)(1)(i), ET, § 2-108(f), and LG, § 16-202(a) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1437 Delegate Kach**MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION FOUNDATION – LOT RELEASE – DEMONSTRATED FINANCIAL HARDSHIP**

Requiring the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation to grant a 5–year extension for the time frame for receiving a nontransferable building permit if a landowner or child of a landowner demonstrates financial hardship; and exempting a lot owner granted an extension for demonstrated financial hardship from the requirement to reconvey a lot under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

AG, § 2-513(b)(2)(vi) and (vii) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 17, 2014**HB 1438 Delegate Barve, et al****CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – METROPOLITAN BALLET THEATRE RELOCATION AND EXPANSION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$60,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Ballet Theatre, Inc. for specified development or improvement purposes related to the Metropolitan Ballet Theatre, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1439 Delegate James**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – HARFORD COUNTY – EDGEWOOD COMMUNITY SUPPORT CENTER FACILITY COMPLETION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Edgewood Community Support Center, Inc. for specified development or improvement purposes related to the Edgewood Community Support Center Facility, located in Harford County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1440 Delegate Carter**FAMILY LAW – CHILDREN’S CIVIL RIGHTS – EQUAL PARENTING TIME**

Creating a rebuttable presumption that joint legal custody and physical custody to each parent for approximately equal periods of time are in the best interest of the child in specified child custody proceedings.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

FL, § 9-109 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1441 Delegate Schuh, et al**INCOME TAX CREDIT – FLOATING GARDEN EQUIPMENT**

Allowing an individual a credit against the State income tax for the purchase price of equipment used to install or maintain a floating garden; providing that the credit may not exceed a specified amount; providing that the credit may not be refundable or carried forward to another taxable year; and applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2013.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

TG, § 10-724.2 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1442 Delegate Oaks**MARYLAND TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION – FREE RIDERSHIP FOR STATE EMPLOYEES**

Requiring the Maryland Transit Administration to extend to employees of the Judicial Branch and the Legislative Branch of State government the application of any program, policy, or practice through which free ridership on transit vehicles is offered to employees of the Executive Branch of State government.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1443 Delegate Hucker, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – SILVER SPRING VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT STATION #16**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt in the amount of \$2,500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Silver Spring Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. for specified development or improvement purposes related to the Silver Spring Volunteer Fire Department Station #16, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1444 Allegany County Delegation**ALLEGANY COUNTY – MARRIAGE LICENSE FEES – DISTRIBUTION TO CUMBERLAND HISTORIC CEMETERY ORGANIZATION**

Authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Allegany County to set an additional fee of \$13 for each marriage license; requiring the clerk to pay the proceeds from the additional fee to the general fund of the county each month; and requiring the Board of County Commissioners to distribute the proceeds to the Cumberland Historic Cemetery Organization.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

FL, § 2-404(b-1) - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1445 Allegany County Delegation**WORKERS' COMPENSATION – HEART DISEASE AND HYPERTENSION PRESUMPTION – ALLEGANY COUNTY CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS**

Extending the presumption of compensability under the workers' compensation law to include, under specified conditions, Allegany County correctional officers who suffer from heart disease or hypertension resulting in partial or total disability or death; requiring Allegany County correctional officers to submit specified medical disclosures to the Allegany County Sheriff; allowing benefits under the Act to be added to retirement benefits subject to a specified limitation; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

LE, §§ 9-503(b) and (e) and 9-628(a) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1446 Delegate Beitzel**MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2013 – GARRETT COUNTY – ADVENTURE SPORTS CENTER INTERNATIONAL**

Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2013 to allow funds authorized for the Adventure Sports Center International project to be used for prior eligible expenditures incurred on or before June 1, 2013; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

Chapter 424 of the Acts of 2013, § 1(3) Item ZA00(AC) - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 1447 Delegate B. Robinson**STATE AID REPORTING REQUIREMENT – NONPROFIT ENTITIES – MINORITY BUSINESS PARTICIPATION**

Requiring a nonprofit entity that receives at least \$750,000 of State aid during a fiscal year to submit a specified report to the Governor's Office of Minority Affairs on or before September 1 after the close of the fiscal year in which the State aid is received; requiring the report to contain specified information relating to the State aid and number and value of contracts between the nonprofit and certified minority business enterprises; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

SF, § 7-407 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 14, 2014**HJ 9 Delegate Kach, et al****GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMPENSATION COMMISSION – RECOMMENDATIONS**

Rejecting, in accordance with the provisions of Article III, Section 15 of the Maryland Constitution, items included in the Resolution of the General Assembly Compensation Commission submitted and transmitted to the General Assembly during the regular session of the General Assembly in 2014 relating to salaries for all members of the General Assembly, the per diem allowance for meals, reimbursement for lodging expenses, and travel allowances and reimbursements; etc.

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HOUSE BILL REASSIGNED FEBRUARY 14, 2014**HB 1251 Delegate Hucker, et al****MARYLAND SECURE CHOICE RETIREMENT SAVINGS PROGRAM
AND TRUST**

Establishing the Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Program for eligible private sector employees; establishing the Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Trust; establishing the Maryland Secure Choice Retirement Savings Board to implement, maintain, and administer the Program and the Trust; requiring eligible employers to offer the Program and requiring eligible employees to participate in the Program unless written notice to opt out is provided to the employer; authorizing the Comptroller to enforce employer compliance; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

LE, §§ 12-101 through 12-601 - added

Reassigned to: Economic Matters and Appropriations